BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

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)	PSC DOCKET NO. 17-1078
)	"18979 GRAVEL HILL &
)	LEWES GEORGETOWN"
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ORDER NO. 9149

AND NOW, this 30th day of November, 2017, the Delaware Public Service Commission ("Commission") determines and orders the following:

WHEREAS, on October 4, 2017, Artesian Water Company, Inc. ("Artesian" or the "Company") submitted an application ("Application") with the Commission pursuant to 26 Del. C. § 203C(e)(1)b. seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") to expand its facilities and operations to provide water service to two parcels of land in Sussex County, Delaware, more specifically identified by the Sussex County Tax Map Parcel Number 135-11.00-61.00 and 235-30.00-68.00 and referred to as "18979 Gravel Hill and Lewes Georgetown" (the "Proposed Service Area"); and

WHEREAS, Commission Staff ("Staff") reviewed the Application to ensure compliance with the statutory provisions of 26 Del. C. § 203C and the Commission's Regulations Governing Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for Water Utilities, 26 Del. Admin. C. § 2002 (the "Regulations"); and

WHEREAS, the Application included evidence that Artesian had mailed notice of the Application and the options available to all

landowners of record in the Proposed Service Area. In addition, Artesian provided evidence via affidavits of publication to show that it had published notice of its Application in two newspapers of general circulation. Staff also notes that it has received no comments regarding Artesian or the Application in response to the published notice; and

WHEREAS, Staff submitted a memorandum to the Commission confirming the Application meets all of the requirements for granting Artesian a CPCN for water services pursuant to 26 Del. C. § 203C and the Regulations. Accordingly, Staff recommends that the Commission grant the Company a CPCN based on the completed Application;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED BY THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF NO FEWER THAN THREE COMMISSIONERS:

- 1. Pursuant to 26 Del. C. § 203C(e), a CPCN is hereby granted to Artesian to serve the Proposed Service Area more specifically identified by the Sussex County Tax Map Parcel Numbers 135-11.00-61.00 and 235-30.00-68.00.
- 2. Artesian shall comply with any and all federal, state, county, and local statutes, ordinances, orders, regulations, rules, and permit conditions that are applicable, or may become applicable, to any matter involving water utility services provided to the service territory granted by this CPCN.
- 3. The Commission reserves the jurisdiction and authority to enter such further Orders in this matter as may be deemed necessary or proper.

	BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:
	Chair
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